

Amendment No. 5 to HB1921

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AMEND Senate Bill No. 1881

House Bill No. 1921*

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by adding the following new section to be appropriately designated:

SECTION ____.

(a) The joint education oversight committee shall gather and identify through public hearing and testimony from the citizens of Tennessee the concerns, needs and adequacy of education in Tennessee, including but not limited to, the reading skills being taught within the public schools of Tennessee and the status and needs of early childhood education in Tennessee.

(b) The committee is urged to hold public hearings in each of the grand divisions of Tennessee and to invite all members of the education community and all persons interested in public education to give testimony and input.

(c) The committee shall receive staff support and assistance from the house research division, the office of legal services, the office of legislative budget analysis, the comptroller's office of education accountability, the state board of education, the department of education, the Tennessee higher education commission and any other state agency so requested by the chair.

(d) The committee shall complete its study and file its final report, including any recommendations for necessary legislative action, by January 1, 2002. Such report shall be filed with the chief clerk of each house, the speaker of the house of representatives, the speaker of the senate, the chair of the education committee of the house of representatives and the chair of the education committee of the senate.